

WEDNESDAY, February 3d, 1864.

The House met, and was opened with prayer by the Rev. Mr. Owen, Chaplain of the House.

Present at the call of the roll the following members :

Messrs. Kemp, Speaker, Dent, Claude, Henkle, Davis, Carrico, Hoffman, Poteet, Wright, Pearce, of Baltimore county, Lusby, Lester, Kerr, McNeal, Mathews, Hyland, Handy, Frazier, Brohawn, Jones, Stubbs, Hance, Herbert, Pierce, of Queen Anne's, Duncan, Smith, Hammond, Buhrman, Biggs, Rinehart, Snyder, Trail, McCoy, Hitchcock, Barron, Silverwood, Chappell, Stevens, Stockbridge, Lee, Murray, of Baltimore city, Dundon, Mules, Masters, Miller, Gantz, Zeigler, Fawcett, Young, Greene, Shaw, Brown, Hebb, Ecker, Waters, Starr, Sykes and Tyson.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

Mr. Waters presented a petition from George Crouse, and thirty other citizens of Carroll county, for an increase of constables' fees ;

Which was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Hammond presented a petition from Jacob M. Kunkle, praying the passage of an act to require the Court of Appeals to re-hear an argument in the case of Kunkel *vs.* Fitzhugh ;

Which was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Greene presented a petition from Samuel M. Semmes, of Allegany county, for relief ;

Which was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Jones presented a memorial from one hundred and four citizens of Cecil county, belonging to Battery B, 1st Maryland Light Artillery, protesting against striking the test oath from the Convention Bill, and asking the expulsion of disloyal members of this House ;

Which was read and referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

Mr. Stockbridge presented a memorial from Richard Marley and others, praying the removal of the Western Hay Scales, and the establishment of a Hay Market in the city of Baltimore ;